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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: M. REDMON et al.

Application No.: Unassigned (continuation-in-part of application nos. 09/719,843, filed November 21, 2000 and 09/721,711, filed November 27, 2000)

Group Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: L. Channavajjala

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For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS
COMPRISING NORASTEMIZOLE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, which is a continuation-in-part of pending Application No. 09/719,843, filed November 21, 2000, which is a 371 of PCT/US98/05701, which is a continuation-in-part of pending Application No. 08/851,786, filed May 6, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of pending Application No. 08/824,477, filed March 26, 1997; and is a continuation-in-part of pending Application No. 09/721,711, filed November 27, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of pending Application No. 08/851,786, filed May 6, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of pending Application No. 08/824,477, filed March 26, 1997, please enter the following remarks into the record thereof.

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 are pending for the Examiner's review and consideration. Claims 1-8 recite solid pharmaceutical compositions comprising norastemizole, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; a diluent; a binder; a disintegrant; and a lubricant, wherein the disintegrant and lubricant are not the same. Claims 9-15 recite solid pharmaceutical composition comprising norastemizole, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; microcrystalline cellulose; pregelatinized starch; croscarmellose sodium; and magnesium

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